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SUBJ: TURKS TO INSPECT CDI'S

REF: A. ANKARA 632; B. ANKARA 683

1. TURKS HAVE ADVISED US OF INTENT CARRY OUT ANNUAL CDI INSPECTION EXERCISE, WHICH WILL INCLUDE INCIRLIK, PIRINCLIK, KARAMURSEL, SINOP, AND BELBASI. INSPECTIONS WILL BE HELD ON FOLLOWING DATES:

INCIRLIK, FEB. 4-7

PIRINCLIK, FEB. 7-9

KARAMURSEL FEB. 12-15

SINOP, FEB. 19-21

BELBASI, FEB. 26

AMOUNTS OF TIME AT MOST CDI'S SEEM INORDINATE, AND WE EXPECT SOME OF INSPECTIONS MAY ACTUALLY TAKE PLACE IN LESS TIME THAN PROGRAMMED.

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2. NEW TWIST THIS YEAR IS INCLUSION SIZEABLE NUMBER OTHER

TURKISH MINISTRIES IN INSPECTION TOUR: NOT ONLY TGS, MOD AND MFA BUT ALSO INTERIOR, FINANCE, EDUCATION, LABOR, COMMUNICATIONS, AND CUSTOMS-MONOPOLIES. TGS ADVISES US THAT ALL VISITORS WILL BE APPROPRIATELY CLEARED. WE WILL BE CONFERRING WITH INSTALLATION US COMMANDERS BEFORE VISITS TAKE PLACE.

3. WHILE INCLUSION OF LARGE NUMBER OF MINISTRIES COULD FORESHADOW MORE INTENSIVE INSPECTION THAN USUAL, WITH SUBSEQUENT FALLOUT IN TERMS OF VARIOUS COMPLAINTS, DEMANDS, ETC., WE MORE INCLINED TO THINK THAT LARGE-SCALE INSPECTION IS DESIGNED TO DISARM ANY POSSIBLE CRITICISM FROM INCOMING GOVERNMENT BASED ON ALLEGATION THAT MINISTRIES HAVE NOT SHOWN SUFFICIENT INTEREST IN WHAT GOES ON AT CDI'S. SINCE PROGRAM OF NEW GOVERNMENT(REF. A) CALLS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TURKISH "SUPERVISION" OR "CONTROL" OVER CDI'S, INSPECTION OF TYPE THAT IS ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE WILL ENABLE TGS AND MINISTRIES TO CLAIM THAT SUPERVISION IS ALREADY BEING PRACTICED, OR AT LEAST, TO AVOID CHARGE THAT THEY HAVE BEEN REMISS.

4. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, WE HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY ASULA (ASST. DIRGEN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS, MFA, AND NEW CHIEF TURKISH IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENT NEGOTIATOR) SEEKING IA NEGOTIATING SESSION THIS WEEK. (WE HAD PREVIOUSLY AGREED WITH ASULA ON HIATUS OF SEVERAL WEEKS WHILE HE PREPARED HIMSELF.) IN DESCRIBING AGENDA AS HE SAW IT, ASULA SAID HE WOULD MAKE "GENERAL STATEMENT" ON CURRENT STATUS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS OF IA NEGOTIATIONS. HE REFUSED TO ELABORATE FURTHER, BUT WE THINK HE PROBABLY HAS IN MIND STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD THAT WILL TAKE COGNIZANCE OF NEW GOVERNMENT'S DECLARED POSITION ON CDI'S. HE AND OTHERS AT MFA HAVE, HOWEVER, GONE OUT OF THEIR WAY TO ASSURE US THAT THERE NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.
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